



NEWS AND VIEWS . . .

And What Have You

By BOB CRAIG

Our congratulations to Coach Tom Dechairo and the Pied Piper basketball team on winning a share of the District 6-AA title and wish them the best of luck Friday when they meet the Anson Tigers again to determine the playoff representative.

The two teams will meet in Sweetwater Friday evening and we hope that there is a good crowd on hand from Hamlin to root the Pipers to victory.

Bob Miller, publisher of the Hamilton Herald-News, wrote the following in his column, "Full Circle," this past week. I think he wrote this with tongue-in-cheek, but he might have been serious.

Now, here's a whole new can of worms. A speaker in Dallas last week started off with a reference to "the great state of Dallas." There was tittering in the audience and stuttering from the speaker as he backed out. "I-I-I mean the great city of Dallas," he explained.

Blunders like that are usually quickly forgotten, but this one kept coming back this week as I ran into one instance after another in which the interest of rural people conflicted with those of the urban areas. You can bet the interest of us country people always gives way when it conflicts with the interests of our city cousins. The one man-one vote ruling took care of that. Much of this could be solved if we withdrew and kept Texas for ourselves.

"Why not the great state of Dallas?" I ask myself. Or the great state of Fort Worth, the great state of Houston, the great states of San Antonio, El Paso, Austin, or whatever other locality that has outgrown its breeches? Or if they don't like to be alone, they could combine into the great State of Metroplex Unlimited. The initials of the new great state, S. M. U., are already made famous by the basketball team that is battling Texas Tech for the Southwest Conference title. Half the publicity would already be done.

We also would have advantages. We could have a flag with holes punched out wherever a metroplex is located. It could be our holey banner to lead us in the fight for our rights.

We could continue to use our gasoline taxes to pay for highways and farm-to-market roads while the city states could use their bus tokens for financing mass transit.

We could have our tax money to pay

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DISTRICT 6-AA CO-CHAMPIONS — The Hamlin Pied Pipers and the Anson Tigers were named co-champions in basketball of District 6-AA and the two teams will meet in Sweetwater Friday evening at 7:30 to determine the playoff representative. The winner will meet Denver City Monday or Tuesday in Bi-District. Playing for the Pipers who are 9-1 in district play, are, left to right, standing, Bill Cork, Albert McAfee, Alfred McAfee, Ray Scifres, David Willis, Milton Jones, Willie Hooper, Larry Mayes and Johnny Jones; kneeling, Joe Mayes and Coach Tom Dechairo. (Tim Jones Photo)

ADDS FIVE DAYS---

School Board Revises Calendar; Buys Bus

The Board of Trustees of the Hamlin Independent School District adopted a revised school calendar at their regular monthly meeting here Monday evening. The revised calendar extends the school year five days to make up for the days lost in January because of bad weather.

In other action the board voted to advertise for bids to sell about 4.5 acres of land at Neinda where the old Neinda School was located. The board

will open bids on the land at its next meeting.

Meeting in executive session the board voted to extend the contracts of Bob Hawes, superintendent; B. V. Newberry, high school principal; and Marvin Carlton, junior high school principal. Hawes has a three-year contract and Newberry and Carlton each have two-year contracts.

The board accepted the resignations of Mrs. Fred Smith, primary principal, and Mrs. Rodger Bell, junior high art teacher. Both resignations become effective at the end of the current school year.

The board also voted to purchase a 15-passenger van-type school bus. Delivery is to be made on the bus by Aug. 1.

The new school calendar calls for the school year to end May 24, with Baccalaureate Services May 20 and Commencement May 25. No change was made in the Easter vacation which will be Apr. 20 through 13.

3 Candidates File for City, 2 for School

Three candidates have filed for places on the ballot in the Apr. 7 city election and two have filed for places on the Hamlin Independent School District election to be held on the same day.

Filing for the three places on the city councilman election are Robert Fowler, A. E. Killion and Herman Wood. Both Fowler and Killion are seeking re-election. Killion will be seeking his third term and Fowler will be running for his second term.

The other councilman whose term expires this year is George Campbell. He has not indicated whether or not he will seek re-election.

Councilmen are elected for two year terms. Deadline for filing is Mar. 7. Those interested in having their names placed on the ballot should contact Johnny Steele, city secretary, before the deadline.

Incumbents, Clyde Lewis and Lewis Madden, have both filed for re-election to the board. There will be only two places to fill on the board. Both are for three year terms.

Anyone interested in having their name placed on the ballot for trustee should contact Mrs. J. O. Murphree at the high school.

THIRD SUNDAY SINGING

The Third Sunday Singing will be held Sunday at 2 p.m. at Calvary Baptist Church. All persons interested in good gospel singing are invited.



REV. DON SCARLETT, JR.
...to speak tonight

Rev. Scarlett To Speak Here Tonight at 7

Rev. Don Scarlett Jr., who with his wife are missionaries to the Republic of South Africa, will speak at the Church of the Nazarene tonight (Thursday) at 7 p.m.

This is his second furlough since being assigned to the mission field in 1962.

The Scarletts have three children, Yvonne, 19, Ron, 17, and Cindy, 15. They make their home in Illinois during this furlough year.

Rev. Scarlett began his missionary work as vice principal of the Bible Training College, in addition to evangelistic campaign work at Capetown. He was later given Charge of Evangelism of the northern district, stationed at Johannesburg, and from there again to Capetown with Charge of Evangelistic Campaigns of the Southern District. His current work has been in the Coloured and Indian area.

He earned his B.A. degree at Olivet Nazarene College at Kankakee, Ill., and for a time before going to the mission field was pastor in Indiana and in Florida.

Riding Club To Meet Mon.

The Hamlin Riding Club will meet Monday at 8 p.m. in the dining room of Hamlin Restaurant.

All members are urged to attend. The business session will include election of 1973-74 club officers.

AT SWEETWATER---

Pipers to Play Anson Friday

The Hamlin Pipers and the Anson Tigers will meet in Sweetwater Friday evening at 7:30 to determine the District 6-AA basketball playoff representative. The two teams tied for district honors and are co-champions. The winner Friday will meet Denver City in a Bi-District game either Monday or Tuesday evening at a site yet to be determined.

The Pipers had to go into two overtimes here Friday evening to defeat the Haskell Indians, 81-78, to gain a share of the District crown. Both Hamlin and Anson finished the district race with 9-1 records. The Tigers won the first round of round robin play and the Pipers won the second round.

The two teams will meet in the Sweetwater High School Gymnasium with Hamlin the home team. Hamlin fans will sit on the north side of the gym. Advance tickets are now on sale at the high school office and are \$1.00 for adults 75 cents for students. All tickets at the gate will be \$1.00.

The winner of the Bi-District contest will advance to the Regional Tournament to be held

in Lubbock Saturday, Feb. 24.

The Pipers trailed the Haskell Indians 21-10 at the end of the first period here Friday and then closed the gap to two points at half-time with the Indians leading, 36-34. The Pipers picked up a three-point lead in the third period with the score 53-50 but the Indians came back to tie the game at 66-66 and force the contest in the first of two over-times.

Both teams added six points in the first over-time and then

Hamlin picked up nine points to Haskell's six in the second overtime. Haskell was down to four players during part of the final overtime period and down to three at the end.

Willie Hooper was high for the Pipers with 20 points, followed by Johnny Jones with 19.

Hamlin won both the junior varsity and freshman games. William Brown led the local JV's to a 63-34 victory with 18 points. The local freshmen won, 60-36.

DAR Honors Hennington For History of McCaulley

R. B. Hennington was honored recently when he was presented a Certificate of Appreciation from the National Society of Daughters of the American Revolution. The presentation was made last week by the Bicentennial Committee of Anne Pettus Shelburne Chapter, DAR, of Rotan.

Here to make the presentation were Mrs. J. L. McCright, chapter chairman; Mrs. Bernie C. McCrea of Abilene, Texas State Bicentennial chairman; and Delila Baird, regent of the Rotan chapter.

The certificate was given in recognition of outstanding contribution to the preservation of local history in the publication of "Memories of McCaulley, Texas, 1890-1971."

Mrs. Ora S. Carruth of Port Arthur, co-compiler of the book, will also be presented with a Bicentennial Certificate.

"Memories of McCaulley, Texas" is a bonanza for the more than 100 families discussed in the book, for others who knew them, and for those of us who enjoy the history of families who settled the frontiers, Mrs. Beard said. "The publication makes a worthwhile contribution toward making history live," she added.

It is important for history that facts be recorded and published, but facts alone can be dry reading. "Memories of McCaulley, Texas" is replete with personal stories and pictures. It gives an insight into a way of life that laid the foundation for a very different era.

Mr. Hennington states in the introduction to the book, "We do not intend it to be a formal history, but as the title

suggests, merely as a collection of memories and facts related by those who have lived here."

Mrs. McCright said that it is hoped that memories and facts of other area communities will be recorded while there remain those who remember them. Ann Pettus Shelburne Chapter wishes to recognize, encourage and honor those in the area who are helping to preserve our local history, she said.

A copy of the book will be placed in the DAR Library in Washington, D. C. by the Rotan Chapter.

Mr. Hennington, retired as postmaster at McCaulley, a position he held from 1947-1965, has compiled the book as a hobby and fulfilled his desire of long standing.

He is presently working on a family history of the Henningtons and related families.

He was a native of Hood County and moved to McCaulley from Ellis County in 1907 as a young child with his family, the late Mr. and Mrs. W. T. Hennington.

Prior to becoming postmaster he was a school teacher and Baptist minister. He was elementary school principal at McCaulley and for a time was band director at Hobbs school. He pastored Baptist churches in Dumont in King County in 1935 and in Hobbs in the 1940's.

He married Lily May Smith Sept. 4, 1932, in Kress where she was teaching school. The couple met at Hardin-Simmons University. Mrs. Hennington retired in 1971 after 15 years as first grade teacher here.

The Henningtons have two sons, a daughter and seven grandchildren.



RECEIVES DAR CERTIFICATE — R. B. Hennington, center, was presented a Certificate of Appreciation from the National Society of Daughters of the American Revolution here last week by Mrs. J. L. McCright, of Rotan, left, Anne Pettus Shelburne Chapter, DAR, in Rotan, and Mrs. Bernie C. McCrea of Abilene, right, state Bicentennial chairman. The Bicentennial certificate was presented for the publication "Memories of McCaulley, Texas, 1890-1971" which he compiled with Mrs. Ora S. Carruth of Port Arthur.

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David Thompson, Kathy Ponder Honored By FHA

David Thompson was named FHA Beau and Kathy Ponder was named FHA Sweetheart at the annual Future Homemakers of America Beau Night Banquet Monday evening in the high school cafeteria.

The FHA Beau presentation was made by Miss Ponder and Velanne Rowland, FHA president, announced the FHA Sweetheart.

The invocation was given by Keith Jackson and Miss Rowland welcomed the members and guests.

Head Coach David Bonds, speaker, was introduced by Dana Wright.

Coach Bonds, a graduate of Hamlin High School, spoke to the group as an ex-student. He traced his four years of high school and noted changes since that time.

He urged the students not to be "sideline people," those who do not want to get involved. He encouraged them to become a part of organizations and activities and make the most of their high school career.

"Don't wait too long to decide what to do with your life," he warned.

Guests sat at foursome tables covered with Valentine motif cloths and centered with red and white candle arrangements.

The FHA Creed led by the chapter officers concluded the banquet.

Dana Wright Elected FHA President

Dana Wright was elected president of the Future Homemakers of America Chapter at the Feb. 6 meeting. Also elected was the FHA Beau and Sweetheart to be announced at the Feb. 12 banquet.

Other officers to serve during the 1973-74 term are: Piper Willis, first vice president; Mignon Williams, second vice president; Carla Adair, third vice president; Diane Ford, fourth vice president; Elaine Kelley, fifth vice president; Luann Shira, secretary; Debra Hollis, historian; Janice Miller, parliamentarian; Susan Howerton, sergeant-at-arms; and Debi Cary, pianist.



ELAINE KELLEY ... listed in Who's Who

Elaine Kelley Selected for Who's Who

Elaine Kelley, a Hamlin High School junior, was recently notified that she is to be featured in the Seventh Annual Edition of Who's Who Among American High School Students, 1972-73, the largest student award publication in the nation.

Daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Parker Kelley, she is a member of National Honor Society, Future Homemakers of America, president of Spanish Club and majorette for the Hamlin High School band.

Students from over 18,000 public, private and parochial high schools throughout the country are recognized for their leadership in academics, athletics, activities or community service in the book. Less than two percent of the junior and senior class students nationwide are awarded this recognition. Who's Who has become an authoritative source for institutions and agencies concerned with the youth of America.

In addition to having her biography published in the book, Elaine will also compete for one of the 10 \$1,000 scholarship awards funded by the publishers and will be invited funded by the publishers and will be invited to participate in the firm's annual "Survey of High Achievers" later in the academic year.

Brownie Troop Meets Monday

Brownie Troop No. 354 held their meeting Monday at the Jaycee Community Building. The leaders, Joyce Watts and Carolyn Ford had a Valentine party for the troop.

Refreshments of sandwiches, Valentine cake and punch were served to those present.

Following refreshments the Brownies worked on their "sit-ups" which they will use on their outdoor trips, and scarves made with Crayon magic.

Those present were: Tonya Brumley, Lisa Caffey, Isabel Contreras, Judy Crouch, Dee Dee Eaton, Sharon Ford, Jannie Gardner, Teresa Gregory, Leona Johnston, Tammy May, Cheryl Scifres, Connie Spalding, Patricia Stewart, Susan Watts, Paula Stephens, Lisa Hawes, Bobby Strong and Laverne Shelton.

The Brownies will be selling Girl Scout cookies through Saturday. They have had good luck with their cookie sale thus far and the Girl Scout leaders express their appreciation for the town supporting the worthwhile project.

Dinner Honors Mrs. C. B. Ails On Birthday

Mrs. C. B. Ails was honored with a birthday dinner Sunday in the home of her daughter and husband, Mr. and Mrs. Oran Huff of Abilene.

Mrs. Ails, formerly of Hamlin, is a resident of Crestview Lodge of Rotan.

Those attending the event were Mr. and Mrs. Richard Ails and children and Tammy Ails, all of Sweetwater, Mrs. Willie Ails of Hamlin, Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Ails and children and Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Ails, all of Rotan, Sue Ails, Melvin Porter, Mrs. Howard Thompson and a grandson, and Mr. and Mrs. Gail Huff and daughter, all of Abilene.

Bryants Host Party Here for Xi Gamma Pi

Mr. and Mrs. John C. Bryant were hosts for a Valentine dessert party for Xi Gamma Pi Chapter of Beta Sigma Phi Saturday evening. Guests were entertained at games of bridge.

Members and their husbands attending were Mr. and Mrs. C. Weldon Griggs, Mr. and Mrs. Clifford Reynolds Jr., Dr. and Mrs. James Harrison, Mr. and Mrs. Cecil Sellers, Mr. and Mrs. Howard Mehafeff, Mr. and Mrs. W. T. Johnson, Mr. and Mrs. Gerald Young, Dr. and Mrs. M. L. Smith, Mr. and Mrs. W. Arlie Cassle and Mr. and Mrs. Jerry Waggoner.

The next meeting will be Feb. 22 in the home of Mrs. Cassle.

Edgar Duncans Visit In Florida

Edgar Duncan, local owner of Piggly Wiggly, had a rare experience this week for a West Texan. He picked oranges from a tree in the back yard of his son's home in Orlando, Fla.

Mr. and Mrs. Duncan flew to Florida from Dallas Feb. 3 to visit with their son and family, Mr. and Mrs. Jerry Duncan, Michelle and Chad. He flew home Sunday and Mrs. Duncan remained for a week longer visit.

Jerry Duncan is manager of the BX at McCoy Air Force Base and will soon be moving to Fort Leonard Wood, Mo., where he will be assistant supervisor of the Post Exchange there.

While in Florida the family toured points of interest which included Disneyland, Cape Kennedy, and a ski exhibition at Cypress Gardens.

Mr. and Mrs. Doyle Lee Ponder are parents of a boy, Scott Lee, 7 lbs. 13 oz., born Feb. 8 at 4:31 a.m.



MRS. STEVE R. SCOTT ... formerly Joyce A. Smith

Joyce Smith, Steve Scott Wed In Austin Saturday

The First Baptist Church in Austin was the scene Saturday for the marriage of Joyce Smith, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Grady Smith, and Steve R. Scott, son of Mr. and Mrs. B. C. Scott of Austin.

Wedding vows were read at 5 p.m. After a wedding trip to Mexico, the couple will be at home at 9210 Northgate Blvd. in Austin.

Presented in marriage by her father, the bride wore a Victorian gown of candlelight silk organza designed with plain organza skirt and bodice and full sleeves of reemebroidered silk organza. Her headdress was of candlelight illusion attached to a silk organza bow. She carried English ivy, daisies, pink roses and gypsophila attached to a Bible given her by her father when she was a child.

Attendants were Linda Davis, maid of honor, Mrs. John Weaver, matron of honor and Jayne Shaffer, bridesmaid, all of Austin.

John Scott of Austin, brother of the bridegroom, was best man. Groomsmen were Malcolm Milburn and Carl Hardin, both of Austin.

Mindy and Joe Smith of Hamlin, niece and nephew of the bride, were candlelighters. Ring bearers were Wood and

Rod Smith of Hamlin, nephews of the bride.

Attendants wore strawberry pink dotted organza Victorian gowns with lace accenting the collar and sleeves. They carried cascades of English ivy and gypsophila.

Ushers were John Weaver, Mike McCarty, Benny Holland, David Hart, Bob Mann, all of Austin, and Tim Carsow of Atlanta, Ga.

The bride, a graduate of Hamlin High School, completed work at Hendrick Memorial Hospital School for medical record technicians. She is presently medical record administrator at Shoal Creek Hospital in Austin.

The bridegroom, a graduate of Stephen F. Austin High School in Austin, attended Southwest Texas State University and the University of Texas at Austin. He is employed in Real Estate and Investments in Austin.

Garden Club To Meet Today

Hamlin Garden Club will meet today (Thursday) in the home of Mrs. Sam Mack Hodges at 2 p.m.

The meeting scheduled for last Thursday was postponed

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BANQUET HONOREES — David Thompson, left, FHA Beau, and Kathy Ponder, FHA Sweetheart, both seniors, were announced Monday evening at the annual FHA Beau Night Banquet in the high school cafeteria.

Mrs. McBride Hosts Literary Club Meeting

Mrs. L. H. McBride was hostess for the Friday afternoon meeting of the Women's Literary Club. The president, Mrs. Jackie Williams, was program director. Mrs. Donald Young presented the program "A Medley of Love."

There were 27 members present for the meeting.

Mrs. Johnnie Williams will be hostess for the next meeting, Feb. 16 with Mrs. A. A. Hackley director for the program. Mrs. Grady Chapman will speak to the group on "Moral Pollution."

Mrs. Miller Hosts LVNA

The LVNA Association met Tuesday night in the classroom of Hamlin Hospital. Mrs. L. B. Miller was hostess for the meeting.

The group discussed the lineup of work for the following year.

The association presented two new members, Mmes. Marvin Crawford and E. G. Bosse, with caps.

Refreshments of cake and coffee were served to the following: Mmes. Roscoe Perryman, Cecil Brown, Fred Teichelman, Steve Herring, W. W. Wallace, Doc Neal, Crawford, Bosse and Miller.

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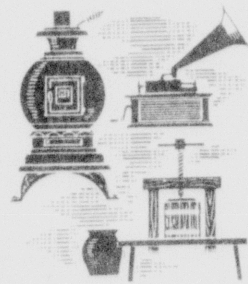
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FIFTY YEARS AGO
(February 16, 1923)

In this weeks Hearld we carry an announcement of the Byrd Cash Grocery Store, (across the street from the new light plant). This is only one of the new additions on South Central Avenue. Just a few feet further down below the Byrd Grocery is the McGee Drive-In Filling Station. Mr. McGee is just starting his up-to-date station.

The Parent-Teachers Association of Plasterco will sell pies and cakes in Hamlin Saturday.

Evidently the recent and present cold weather has contributed to the influenza and pneumonia epidemic in and around Hamlin. There are so many cases it is not possible to report all who are on the sick list.

A recital will be given by the Expression Teacher of Roby, Friday night at 8:00 o'clock, Feb. 23 at Plasterco School House. Part of the proceeds are to go to Parent-Teachers Association to help buy the piano. Admission is 20 cents and 30 cents.

TWENTY YEARS AGO
(February 20, 1953)

Hamlin area's biggest oil producer was brought in Wednesday at noon within two miles of Hamlin city limits. Unofficial tests made at the well showed oil flowing at the rate of a barrel a minute, which would figure more than 1,400 barrels per day.

Anybody around these parts have a spare large size bell? Leaders of the Oak Grove Baptist Church congregation in Hamlin are seeking a big bell that can be placed in the steeple dome of the new meeting place for the congregation that is going up. The bell would make a worthy contribution to the congregation.

Hamlin Chamber of Commerce this week paid its pro rata share of premium money for the annual Jones County Club Boys' Livestock Show, scheduled next weekend at Stamford. The pro rata was \$350. Premium lists toating in excess of \$1,000 have been staged at the Cowboy Reunion grounds in west Stamford next Saturday. The show is jointly sponsored by Stamford, Hamlin and Anson and the site for the annual exhibition is rotated between the three towns.

TEN YEARS AGO
(February 14, 1963)

The Hamlin High School Stage Band won first place in the Class AA division in Canyon Saturday during

the Fourth Annual Stage Band Festival held by West Texas State College. Directed by Tim Jones, the group received a division I rating and an outstanding band award in competition with three other AA schools, including Denver City High School, Spearman High School and Dalhart High School.

Hamlin Shoe Service will be reopened here Saturday by the new owner, Slim Metter. Metter and his wife will offer a complete boot and ladies' service. Formerly of Spur, the new owner has had 20 years of experience in the shoe repair business.

Plans for three Easter Sunrise Services to be held in Hamlin Apr. 14 were made by the Hamlin Ministerial Alliance at the regular monthly meeting at Bunnie's Restaurant.

On Feb. 10 there was a reading of .10 and then on Feb. 11 an additional .19. The February moisture was a welcome sight to the area even though it was accompanied by below freezing temperatures.

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for development of basic resources necessary for the continuation of civilization while they could have theirs to continue the war on urban blight. The one man-one vote principle would work better for everybody. We wouldn't try to meddle in their affairs and they wouldn't be able to outvote us in ours.

We could sell them water and refuse their refuse. They would just have to dump their sewage within their own corporate limits where it would hardly be noticed and it would no longer pollute our streams.

And if they should not like to pay tolls to travel our super highways, we could probably spare a few dimes to build them an autobahn from city to city such as the West Germans use to reach Berlin.

The more I think about it, the more I think I favor the great state of Dallas, or Houston, or whatever. It may be the only way we can save the great state of Texas for ourselves.

Like I said, I think he was only kidding, but when you consider that it takes all of the votes of all the state representatives west of Abilene just to equal the votes of Harris County you have to wonder if maybe we should give consideration to splitting up the state.

Neinda Philosopher Figures Kissinger
Has 14,000 Cities to Negotiate With

Editor's note: The Neinda Philosopher on his Johnson grass farm on Route One reviews the plight of the cities this week, sort of.

Dear editor:

When Henry Kissinger gets back from his trip to Hanoi, Peking, and wherever else he's going on his current missions he may think he's through traveling for awhile but he may not be.

There are 14,883 American cities which, according to an article I read in a newspaper last night, may have to be visited if we're going to have peace in our time in the U. S. According to the article, the U. S. Conference of Mayors and the National League of Cities, representing practically all the cities of the nation, 14,883, are as mad as the farmer who found his subsidy check eliminated, or as mad as the airlines would be if their's was dropped.

It seems that the cities, rubbing their hands in delight over the big revenue sharing checks they're getting from Washington to spend as they please, have now found out that shortly after the checks arrived, the national budget came out cutting off Federal aid in a lot of other areas, so that in the final adding-up they have less money than before.

Now it's one thing to have farmers mad at you, they're

only about 8 percent of the population and it's sometimes too wet to get to the polls anyway, but you get 14,000 cities mad at you and it's going to take all the ingenuity Mr. Kissinger has to negotiate a peace settlement with them.

The fact the cities haven't been able to make it on their own is beside the point. They're there and something has to be done about it.

I haven't been able to get anywhere with it, but my notion is that we have too many cities, just as we once had too many

farmers. There's just a surplus of them, piled up all around the country and not two-bits worth of difference in any of them.

The answer is to let the cities, now holding about 90 percent of the population, dwindle, just as farmers dwindled from about 90 percent 100 years ago down to the present 8. What we'd do with the abandoned cities I don't know. I said this was the answer to the problem, not the solution.

Yours faithfully,
J.A.

Students May Get Social
Security Checks after 22

Students who get monthly social security payments may now get checks for a time after their 22nd birthday, according to social security officials here.

Under a change in the law, an undergraduate student can continue to get social security payments through the end of the semester or quarter in which he reaches age 22, a social security spokesman said.

If the student's school does not use the semester or quarter system, payments can continue until he

completes the course he's taking or 2 months after he reaches 22, whichever comes first.

"The change means students will no longer face the problem of having their benefits stop in the middle of a school term."

About 600,000 students are now getting monthly checks because a parent insured under social security retired, became disabled, or died.

Under previous law, social security payments stopped when the student reached 22.



It is no Secret...

One of the great joys that children have is in telling a secret. This is one way that secrets have of becoming known.

However IT IS NO SECRET what God can do for you. This was never intended to be a secret, for God wants all to know the good news.

Isaiah said: "The Lord hath anointed me to preach good tidings ... to proclaim the acceptable year of the Lord."

Attend church regularly and hear God's word preached.

The Church is God's appointed agency in this world for spreading the knowledge of His love for man and of His demand for man to respond to that love by loving his neighbor. Without this grounding in the love of God, no government or society or way of life will long persevere and the freedoms which we hold so dear will inevitably perish. Therefore, even from a selfish point of view, one should support the Church for the sake of the welfare of himself and his family. Beyond that, however, every person should uphold and participate in the Church because it tells the truth about man's life, death and destiny; the truth which alone will set him free to live as a child of God.



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NEWS FROM . . .

Old Glory

by Bernice White

Old Glory 4-H'ers are beginning to put those final touches on their animals to be entered in the Stonewall County Livestock show at Aspermont on Saturday, Feb. 17. They might be persuaded to sell you a ticket to the barbecue to be held on Saturday noon during the show.

Mrs. Luther Meier hosted a "barefoot" Stanley party in her home on Wednesday of last week. Those present included Mmes. Eugene Vahlenkamp, Eddie Jones, Katie Gerloff, Lisbon Letz, Larry Stremmel and Stanley distributor for this area, Mrs. Herman Dugan; and the hostess. The term barefoot was added to the party, because it had rained prior to the party and ladies didn't want to track mud into the Meier's new home; so they left their shoes at the door.

dinner guests in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Oren Baldree last Sunday included Mr. and Mrs. Vernon Rurratt, Jr. and Nikki, Mr. and Mrs. Vernon Rurratt Sr., Phyllis and Barbara Ann, and Kathy Nowlin, all of Rotan, Carrice Rurratt of Ranger, Pastor and Mrs. Joe Aalbue of Sagerton, Mr. and Mrs. Mike Baldree and Little Mike of Abilene.

Other visitors in the Baldree home on Sunday afternoon were Mr. and Mrs. Marvin Vahlenkamp of Aspermont, Mr. and Mrs. Bruce McCain of Paint Creek and Mr. and Mrs. Curtis Weise, Peggy, Pam and Dwain of Haskell.

Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Letz

and children of Leveland were here last weekend visiting in the home of their parents, Mr. and Mrs. C. T. Pierce and Mr. and Mrs. Charlie Letz.

Mrs. Leland Ashorn and her son, Larry Ashorn of Stamford have returned from Tyler where they visited with Leland Ashorn who is a patient at East Texas Chest Hospital. Mr. Ashorn's condition had become worse as he suffered a bout with the flu, but they found him improving again.

Visitors in the home of Mrs. Bernice White over the weekend included her daughter, Judy, and Don McDonald of Lubbock, and Mr. and Mrs. C. H. McDonald of Hurst. Judy and Mrs. McDonald also visited Judy's grandmother, Mrs. Tillie Dippel, who has been seriously ill at Rice Springs Care Home in Haskell. Her condition is somewhat improved now.

We are glad to report that Mrs. Morris Garner, who has been a patient at Haskell Memorial Hospital are both able to be back at home.

social security QUIZ

How many people today get social security checks every month?

- ☐ A. Over 1 million
- ☐ B. Over 5 million
- ☐ C. Nearly 10 million
- ☐ D. Over 27 million



OUTDOORS IN TEXAS

BY VERN SANFORD

An annual problem for the average rifle hunter is that of sighting in his gun. It's an essential art that must be done before the season actually starts if hunting is to be successful. Most men feel they are just too busy to take an extra hour off and go to the rifle range to fire a few rounds.

It is fortunate for them that most guns hold their zero pretty well from one year to the next. And also that ammunition has become so nearly perfect that the bullet impact usually is retained.

But this good luck factor doesn't happen all the time. Neither does it happen for the man who just borrows a friend's gun and spends a couple hundred dollars for a lease and incidentals, only to miss the biggest buck he's ever seen. (That's always the case when you miss a buck. It's never a little one.)

True it is more difficult today to find a place for sighting in rifles than at any other time in history. You just can't go out and find an old gravel pit or crawl over a farmer's fence. But fortunately, there are enough shooting ranges where you can sight in the big bore for a dollar or two. If your gun is in proper form, two or three shots will do it. But if your scope has gotten knocked out of position, then you may shoot up a half-box of ammo before correcting the aim. But what is that compared to what you pay for a place to hunt?

Today's guns, especially those with scopes, are extremely accurate. They just need to be sighted in.

There's a good rule of thumb for sighting in a high-powered rifle. In fact, it works on all rifles.

If it's a .22 long-rifle hi-speed, zero it in at 25 yards. It will hit 1/2 inch high at 50 yards, but drops 4 inches low at 100. At 150 yards it is 16 inches low.

Now move up to the 222 Remington Magnum or the 223 Rem—lightest calibers that should be used on Texas' white tailed deer. This cartridge shoots 1/4 inch low at 25 yards. At 50 it is 1/2 inch high. At 100 yards it is 1 1/2 inches high and the same at 200 yards.

The popular .243 will zero at 25; it is 3/4 inch high at 50; 2 inches high at 100 and drops to 1/2 inch high at 200.

That popular .308 Winchester zeroes at 25; is 1 inch up to 50 and back to 1/2 inch at 200.

The old .30-30 zeroes in 1/4 inch low at 25; 1 1/4 inches high at 50 and 2 inches high at 150, but drops to 2 1/2 inches low at 200.

These are just a few figures to indicate what you can expect of your gun, if you hold it right and it shoots a consistent grouping. Lots of guns today still group shot after shot in the X ring, if held right.

This is one thing that adds up to more successful hunts, more kills and fewer cripples. With a good scope and any of the popular calibers, it is almost impossible to not make a killing shot on a deer up to 200 yards. Impact will be within an inch or two of where you aim, if you aim right and don't jerk it off by pulling rather than squeezing the trigger.

So, if you want to be sure, take the old smoke-piece out to the range and test it with a few shots. It will pay off by better shooting in the field.

Deborah Tubbs On Dean's List

Deborah Jane Tubbs, a junior at McMurry College, has been named to the Dean's List for the fall semester, according to Dr. Allen F. Cordts, dean of the college.

Students must receive a 3.5 grade point average in order to qualify for the Dean's List, Dr. Cordts said.

Mrs. Tubbs, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Warren Sharp, earned a 3.80 average during the semester.

PRAY QUIETLY PLEASE — Sen. Walter Mengden, Republican state senator from Houston, has dropped a bill in the legislative hopper to allow local school boards to establish periods of silent prayer or meditation at the beginning of each school day.

The U. S. Supreme Court says a school district cannot dictate to a class of students the wording of a daily prayer. Mengden says his bill would "get around" that ruling through this bill which authorizes private prayer, not as a religious service or exercise, but an opportunity for silent prayer or meditation.

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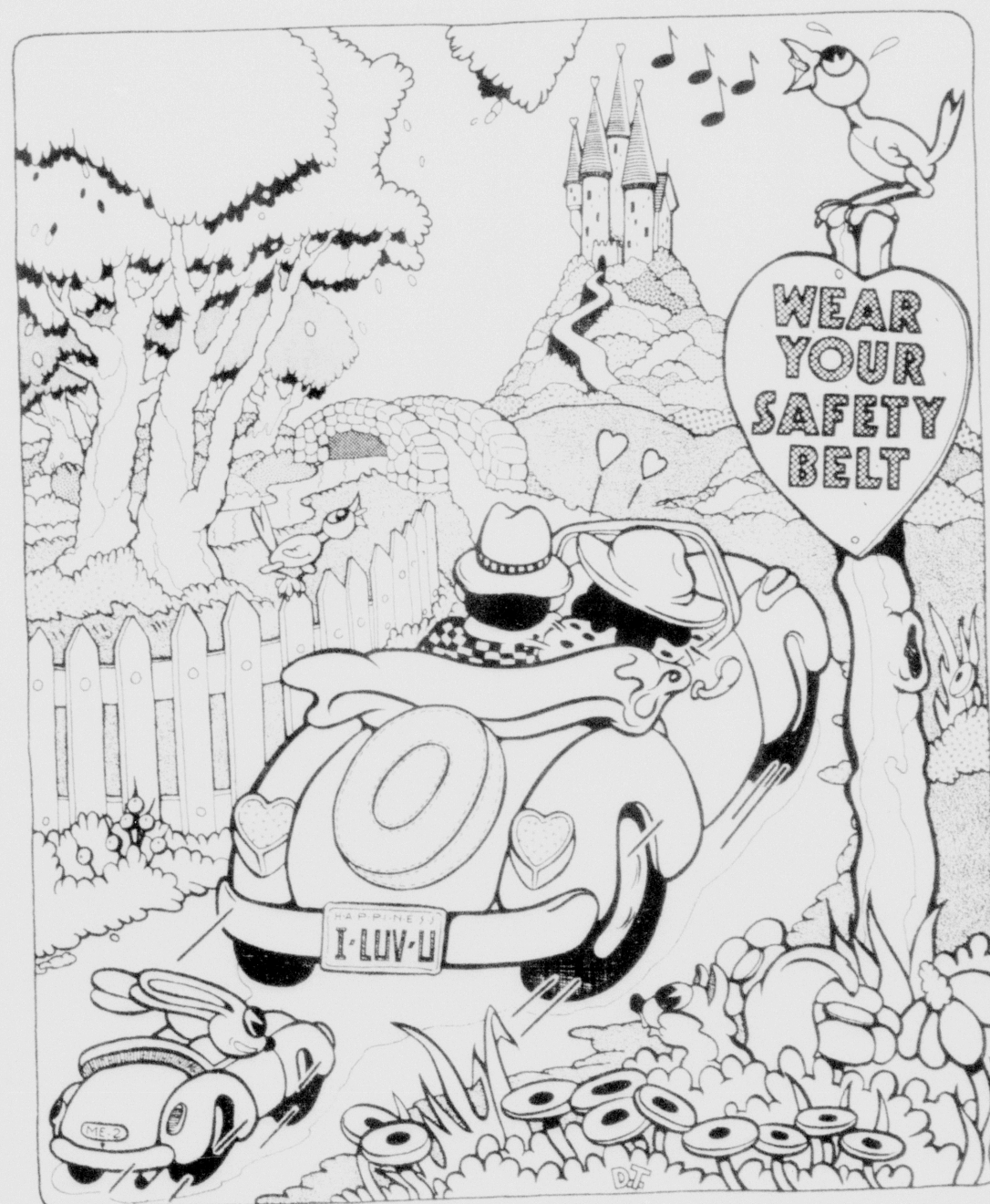
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Sylvester

by Mrs. R. M. Babb

So far it is clear but you never know just what 30 minutes might bring. We had one inch of rain and two inches of snow last week and they are promising us a little of the same for this week. Some of our farmers will be gathering cotton on the 4th of July if it doesn't dry up just a little.

Sorry about last week's news, my mother was very ill in Callan Hospital and I just didn't have time. This morning I feel just like somebody that has the "Flu" and can't get rid of it.

The Wesley Maberry family and a very good friend's family

visited with their families, the J. P. Maberrys and Richard Kellys.

Mrs. J. E. Tindal enjoyed a birthday Feb. 4. Somebody said they thought she was 39 again!

Mrs. Clara Montgomery is in Stamford hospital at this writing.

Mrs. Cara Perkins is in Irving with her daughter, Doris, who is in the hospital very ill.

The Prather family visited in the W. B. Brown home Sunday. Seems Ricky did real well with his sense reading in Abilene Saturday. He won second and third places and we hope he will do better when he competes in his class later. Ricky is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Gerry Prather of Sweetwater, grandson of Mr. and Mrs. W. B. Brown of our town.

Bro. Milton Jennings' parents from Avoca spent Sunday in their son's home.

Visiting with Glenna Ray Turner over Sunday were the Bartley family and Pat Gaasch, all of Odessa, Mr. and Mrs. Paul Turner of Sweetwater.

Mrs. Cecil Kiser is improved in Callan hospital having suffered a heart attack one day last week.

Our sympathy to the Pete Perales family due to the death of Pete's mother in San Angelo.

Mrs. Lillian Terry, postmaster at Longworth, ate lunch with our postmaster Monday.

Dereta Weaver Still Watching For Her P.O.W.

Dereta Weaver, a seventh grade student, has been wearing a POW bracelet since last July for Air Force Captain Ralph Thomas Browning of Orlando, Fla., a Prisoner of War since July 8, 1966.

She has been watching the daily newspapers carefully, seeking his name on the list of those released after he was named on the first list released by the Pentagon naming U. S. POW's which was in the evening edition of the Abilene Reporter-News Monday, Jan. 29.

Dereta, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. James F. Weaver, received the bracelet as a birthday gift from her aunt, Mrs. E. W. Gernert of Stanton, Calif., while she was visiting here last summer. Mrs. Gernert was actively involved in the sale of the POW bracelets to aid the servicemen who were prisoners of war and missing in action.

A list in the Sunday morning Abilene Reporter-News named 134 of those to be released from Communist prisoner of war camps in North and South Vietnam on Feb. 12. The Pentagon released the names Saturday after notifying relatives.

The name of Capt. Richard T. Browning, Air Force, Orlando, Fla., captured 1966, was listed but the family did not know if it might be the right person and the first name just not be correct. They are still trying to learn if "Dereta's Capt. Browning" is among those returning.

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Legislation has been introduced in the 63rd Legislature to make President Lyndon Johnson's birthday, August 27, a state holiday.

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Husband of Former Hamlin Girl Released

Lt. Col. Thomas Jerry Curtis, husband of the former Terry Stringer, a former Hamlin resident, was among the first prisoners of war to be released. Mrs. Curtis is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Nig Stringer, now of Houston. The family moved from here while she was in junior high.

Friends of the family, Mr. and Mrs. Cecil Brown, have kept close contact with the family and watched the release of prisoners on television. They learned Tuesday morning that Col. Curtis is well and talked to his family from the Philippines about 20 minutes Monday evening. After three days in the Philippines he will be sent to Biloxi, Miss. He indicated that he was in good health but would need some dental work. He had been a prisoner for eight years.

His wife and children, Tommy 14, and Lori, 11, reside in Alexandria, La., where he

was stationed when he went overseas.

Nig Stringer was employed by the compress when they lived here.

Col. Curtis is a native of Houston.

Patty Cowan Gets Degree At Arlington

Patty Cowan received a bachelor of arts degree in English from the University of Texas at Arlington upon completion of the fall semester. She was also listed on the Dean's Honor Roll for the last semester.

Miss Cowan, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Wood Cowan, is employed as a technical writer for NHA, Inc. in Fort Worth.

The 26th annual session of the YMCA Youth and Government program will be held in Austin February 22-25 with about 800 delegates assembling to study the legislative and judicial process.

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Holiday on Ice International is under new ownership and production guidance. There are new stars and old favorites in new routines. There will be a new dimension in staging and lighting and the show will have an All-American theme.

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Wow! It's a good thing that the ballgame against Haskell was on a Friday, because we had the whole weekend to recuperate before returning to school. Willie Hooper really played a fantastic game and was high with 20 points, he was followed by Johnny Jones with 19. It is really neat how this group of boys works together on the court. The defense held up great through the whole game and a lot of credit should go to the boys who didn't score too high, because they helped too. Co-champs!!

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The Pipers appreciate all of those who attend our games and back the team. I hope everyone is planning to attend the game at Sweetwater and show a lot of Hamlin pride. Anson has a tough cheering section so the Hamlin cheerleaders really appreciate it when you participate. Let's see everyone up when we do "Two Bits" and everyone stomping and clapping on "Stomp Clap."

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Kathy Ponder and David Thompson were honored as Mr. and Miss FHA at the annual FHA Beau Banquet Monday night in the cafeteria. The theme was "Valentine's Day" and dinner was served by candlelight. Head Coach, David Bonds, was the speaker and presented an interesting recollection of his high school days. Forty-three members and escorts attended along with Mr. and Mrs. Bond, Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Carter, Mr. and Mrs. B. V. Newberry and Mrs. Bob Craig.

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The Student Council met last week and elected delegates to the State Meeting. These are: Piper Willis, Frankie Shearer,

Dana Wright, Danny Hix and Diane Ford, all juniors.

The Student Council basketball tournament is scheduled for March 22-24 and the Teacher Appreciation Banquet and Powder Puff football game were set for March.

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Practice for the junior play has begun and many members of the cast are sacrificing their afternoons to assure a fine presentation. Keep up the good work, juniors!

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Our student body was honored to have as a guest speaker, Mr. Frank Shearer, at devotional last Wednesday. Mr. Shearer gave a very enlightening talk on his school days which included many humorous recollections of his classmates and instructors. He also advised us to appreciate the advantages we have over those offered twenty years ago. Thank-you, Mr. Shearer for visiting our school.

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The Concert Band is busy preparing for UIL Contest. If we succeed in both concert and sight-reading this will mark our fifth consecutive year as "Sweepstakes Band."

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That is all for this week, except that the Seniors are reminded to take care of those class dues and we hope to see you at Sweetwater! Cheering!!

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Services Set
At Lodge

The Church of Christ will be in charge of the Sunday afternoon worship service for residents of Holiday Lodge Sunday at 2:30 p.m.

The minister, W. H. (Gene) Johnston will direct the service.

STATE Capital NEWS
By BILL BOYKIN

AUSTIN, — First formal step toward rewriting the patchwork 1876 Texas Constitution was finally approved by the Legislature and Gov. Dolph Briscoe late last week.

Briscoe lost no time in signing into law legislation authorizing appointment of a 37-member Constitutional Revision Commission when both houses finally agreed on terms.

The Commission, which will study the constitution and make recommendations to the legislature when it convenes as a constitutional convention next year, will go to work within 14 days after it is named. It has only until November 1 to complete its hearings, study and report to lawmakers.

Under the legislation, Briscoe will serve as chairman of the six-member selection committee to pick the study commission. Other selection committee members are Lt. Gov. Bill Hobby, Atty. Gen. John Hill, House Speaker Price Daniel Jr., Supreme Court Chief Justice Joe Greenhill and Court of Criminal Appeals Presiding Judge John Onion Jr.

Legislators served notice they want the Commission to be fairly and equitably representative of sexes, ethnic, social and economic groups and geographic regions.

Recommendations for membership already are pouring in from interest groups.

A majority vote of the House (76 members minimum) and Senate (at least 16) could reject the selection committee's choices of a commission slate.

A controversial provision of the legislation permits the selection panel to meet in secret (by majority vote) to consider

its appointments — after first holding an open session and later meeting publicly for final, formal action.

SHIELD, LOBBY BILLS ADVANCE — The proposed "free flow of information law" to protect newsmen from forced disclosure of their confidential sources of information to investigative bodies has passed the House with only a handful of dissenting votes.

At the same time, the House passed (with just 25 dissenting votes) a tough lobby control bill. Both measures are part of the reform package of Speaker Daniel who also backed amendments to the open meetings law and a measure to ease access to governmental documents in the public interest.

Sponsors of the shield law fought off five amendments to weaken protection against source disclosure.

The lobby control act, to be administered by a 12-member ethics commission, would require reports of lobbyists' activities, including gifts or loans of more than \$50 in any month of a legislative session to legislators.

Both measures now advance to the Senate, where a somewhat less-enthusiastic reception is anticipated.

TEEN-AGERS ON JURIES — Under legislation approved by the House without debate, 18-year-olds can serve on all juries.

Representatives further passed a bill to extend until 1975-76 the deadline for school districts to go on the quarter basis.

Another bill advanced by the House to the Senate would make the school district fiscal year conform with the July 1-June 30 federal fiscal year timetable.

COURTS SPEAK — A Fort Bend County man won reversal of a 35-year sentence for robbery by firearms when the Court of Criminal Appeals held a guilty plea is invalid unless the defendant is advised of consequences of the plea.

State Supreme Court denied a writ of habeas corpus to a Temple man who was jailed after he refused to produce 47 magazines in an obscenity case in which he had been convicted earlier.

Court of Criminal Appeals held circumstantial evidence was insufficient to convict a Harris County man for heroin possession.

A Jefferson County murder conviction was also thrown out by the Court of Criminal Appeals because the defendant was not advised of consequences of pleading "no contest."

ETHICS CONFERENCE CALLED — Lt. Governor Hobby will invite about 150 representative Texans to discuss governmental ethics during a conference here late next month.

The Lieutenant Governor indicated he wants advice on what legislation to create a state code of ethics should contain. An ethics bill already has been the source of controversy in a House committee.

AG OPINIONS — Atty. Gen. John Hill advised Governor Briscoe the state cannot intervene to prevent abortion during the first three months of pregnancy. Only during the last three months of pregnancy is state regulation possible under a January 23 U. S. Supreme Court decision, Hill wrote.

In another recent opinion, the Attorney General held that requirements for membership on the Texas Board of

Examiners in the Fitting and Dispensing of Hearing Aids include a provision that one member be a licensed physician or surgeon specializing in otolaryngology and another be a trained audiologist — both actively practicing.

AIR'S CLEANER NOW — According to the Texas Air Control Board, air pollution has abated a bit.

Samplings over a two-year period indicated a slight improvement, a Board report maintained.

The Board further claimed its program of permitting polluters additional time to clean up the messes they make has been successful in obtaining voluntary compliance with standards.

OIL OUTPUT DECLINE SEEN — While Texas oil production was at an all time high last year, it didn't keep pace with energy demands, and a decline is forecast for 1973.

A University of Texas "Business Review" article cites early need for a deep-water port to handle energy imports for nuclear power plants. Dependence on foreign imports, writes UT's Dr. Francis B. May in the article, should be temporary. May also suggests tackling problems of shale oil production, increasing on-and-offshore drilling and solving environmental disadvantages of coal.

SHORT SNORTS
There were 355 new Texas industrial plant locations last

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Attorney General Hill gave his strong backing to a new deceptive practices-consumer remedy act introduced in the House and Senate.

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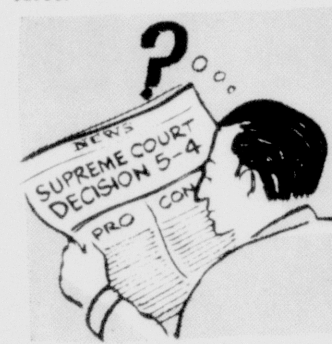
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Dissenting Opinion

News stories about split decisions by the United States Supreme Court must surely bewilder many a reader. What the majority confidently asserts in Paragraph One, dissenters just as confidently deny in Paragraph Two.

What shall the ordinary citizen make of all this? If even the experts cannot agree on what the law is, how can plain folk be expected to know?

Of course, the law is what the majority opinion says it is. A dissenting opinion has no legal force.



In fact, in many countries, dissenting opinions are simply not allowed. Once a majority decision is reached, dissenters are expected to keep their views to themselves.

But on our Supreme Court, public dissent has a long and respectable history. It has been a regular feature of the Court ever since 1806, when a holdout justice voiced his disagreement with Chief Justice John Marshall.

One great virtue of this right of dissent ("the only thing that makes life tolerable," said Justice William O. Douglas) is that it may help shape the law of the future. Major changes in the law, including even amendments to the Constitution, have had roots in earlier dissenting opinions from the Court.

Still, dissenters, if overdone, can needlessly weaken public understanding and public acceptance of a Court ruling. At least, say critics, a judge should not dissent merely because of minor disagreement or personal pride.

Statistics do show that relatively few of the dissenting opinions — even those of Oliver Wendell Holmes, the "Great Dissenter" — have ever become the law of the land.

Is it surprising that dissenters occur so often? Not when one considers the kind of questions the Court must answer. Almost always, they are questions on which even the wisest and fairest of men may differ. The easy ones just never reach the Court at all.

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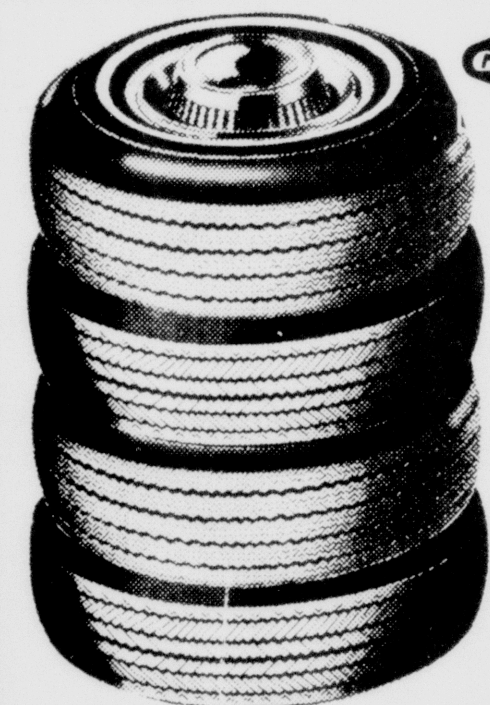
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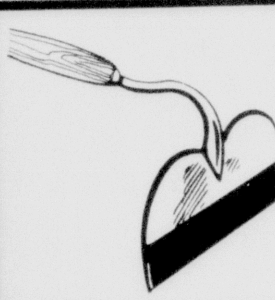
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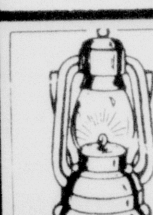
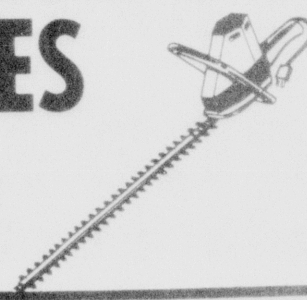
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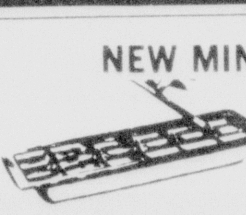
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